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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

[NRC-2012-0159]

Fuel Oil Systems for Emergency Power Supplies

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Draft regulatory guide; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC or the Commission) is issuing for public comment draft regulatory guide (DG), DG-1282, "Fuel Oil Systems for Emergency Power Supplies." This guide describes a method that the NRC staff considers acceptable for use in complying with the Commission's requirements regarding fuel oil systems for safety-related emergency diesel generators and oil-fueled gas turbine generators, including assurance of adequate fuel oil quality.

DATES: Submit comments by August 31, 2012. Comments received after this date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC staff is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

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 Branch (RADB), Office of Administration, Mail Stop: TWB-05-B01M, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
 Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.
 - **Fax comments to:** RADB at 301-492-3446.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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The draft regulatory guide, entitled, "Fuel Oil Systems for Emergency Power Supplies," is temporarily identified by its task number, DG-1282. The DG-1282 is proposed revision 2 of Regulatory Guide 1.137, "Fuel Oil Systems for Standby Diesel Generators" dated April 1979.

This guide describes a method that the NRC staff considers acceptable for use in complying with the Commission's requirements regarding fuel oil systems for safety-related emergency diesel generators and oil-fueled gas turbine generators, including assurance of adequate fuel oil quality.

Proper quantity and quality of fuel oil is necessary for proper operation of the emergency

diesel generators and gas turbine generators. Appendix C to ANSI/ANS-59.51-1997, "Recommended Fuel Oil Practices," addresses recommended practices for maintaining fuel oil quantity and quality. Although not a mandatory part of the standard, the NRC staff believes Appendix C serves as an acceptable basis for a program to maintain the quality of fuel oil, with additions, deletions, and clarifications as contained in this guide.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this <u>26th</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2012.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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